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Carlsbad Community Volunteers • August 2006

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITIES

Area code 760 unless otherwise noted.



PETER NAGAINIS

Pass Out (Bags) at TGIF Jazz Concert

Pass out bags filled with educational recycling information at the TGIF Jazz concert featuring Big Time Operator, San Diego's premier Big Band. Sit at a table and hand out the information at Calavera Hills starting at 5:30 pm on August 4. Contact Dan at dwein@ci.carlsbad.ca.us or 602-2776.

Snores and S'mores Camp Out

When was the last time you ate a s'more? When was the last time you cooked them up for a crowd? Help with the Survivor-style activities, food service, kid's crafts and, of course, making s'mores at this family camping experience. Volunteers are needed on Saturday, August 19 from 4:30-9:30 pm and (are you an early riser?) on Sunday, August 20 from 6-8 am at Calavera Hills Park, 2997 Glasgow Drive. Contact Melissa at mcarr@ci.carlsbad.ca.us or 602-7512.

Cannon Art Gallery

Assist at the Cannon Art Gallery with gallery receptions, education programs for elementary school students and/or as an information attendant at the front desk. Contact Beth at bsolo@ci.carlsbad.ca.us or 602-2057.

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The Carlsbad Triathlon Volunteers Lend A Hand!



A record 213 volunteers ensured the success of the July 9 Carlsbad Triathlon. Volunteers are needed from start – athlete check-in – to finish – the hospitality tent for after-the-race replenishment. In its 25th year, the swim-bicycle-run race attracted 800 athletes from around the world.

"Groups are a great addition to all of our wonderful volunteers," said Gail Lynn, Recreation Department Team Leader who oversees the volunteer management for this event. She noted that a cadre of volunteers new to this event, Palomar College cadets in the Police Academy, was very helpful. Another group involved was the National Charity League mothers and daughters who volunteer in pairs. "We simply couldn't do it without volunteers," confirmed Gail.



TIM TADDER PHOTOS

"There are no traffic jams along the extra mile." Roger Staubach

It's All About Goals

Imagine a world without goals for athletes. What if there were no triathlons where athletes stretch their personal limits after months of training? Would athletes spend years honing their skills if there were no tennis matches or golf tournaments? Phyllis Demy, a Carlsbad resident for 37 years, believes strongly in "supporting others to reach their goals."

Phyllis realizes that without volunteers, these sporting events simply could not exist. It is the huge volunteer "workforce," saving millions of dollars both in preparation and on the day of the event, that makes these sporting events financially possible. And she is a crucial part of that volunteer effort.

This dynamic woman has found time to volunteer for the Carlsbad Triathlon, the Carlsbad Marathon (for ten years each), the Carlsbad 5000 event, the Buick Invitational Golf Tournament (for twenty years), and for the Acura Classic Tennis Tournament. Clearly, she has supported both the organizations and the athletes who attend these events to reach their goals.



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Along with helping others reach their goals, there is something in it for Phyllis. She enjoys "meeting new people and, after volunteering for the same events for so many years, the other volunteers become old friends."

Volunteering on the National Scene

"Volunteer Rates Hit Record Numbers," screamed a recent newspaper headline. Professor Konana in the School of Business at the University of Texas at Austin (2003) writes that, "It is the invisible culture that shapes this nation – giving and volunteerism. These are deeply embedded in this nation's people."

Whatever the motivation, a large percentage of our citizenry volunteers. National organizations that track volunteer data report that 56% of the American adult population volunteer with a bottom line "worth more than 225 billion dollars." The Lion Clubs' Global Survey on Community Services found that 50% of people in the U.S. volunteer, far above the other six countries surveyed. The next highest was India with 32%.



CARLSBAD NEWS FOR YOU

Citizens' Academy

Join us for the next six-week session of the Carlsbad Citizens' Academy. Starting September 14, and continuing every Thursday evening from 5-8:30 pm for six weeks, you will be given dinner and an opportunity to learn how the City works from those who work for the City. Call 434-2800 for information about this fascinating, free program.

The Wonder of Worms



Put grass and landscaping clippings into compost bins filled with Red Wiggles earthworms. Out

comes a great soil supplement and ground cover. Call the "Rot-line," 436-7986 at the Solana Center for Environmental Innovation for a \$30 compost bin, partially subsidized by the City of Carlsbad.

Carlsbad Crime Hotline

Interested in the latest local crime statistics? Call the Crime Statistics Hotline at 931-2201 for information recorded weekly about crimes in Carlsbad neighborhoods.

Skelpin'

Skelpin' will be performing their unique version of Irish music fused with a generous dose of Celtic-Iberian flair on Sunday, October 1 at 2 pm. The concert is free, but tickets are given out the day of the concert starting at 1 pm on a first come-first served basis at Schulman Auditorium. Visit www.skelpin.com.



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Help keep beaches clean by cleaning our creeks.

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California Coastal Cleanup Day

Clean up our creeks by removing trash, cans, bottles, tires and debris. Join volunteers from all over San Diego County on California Coastal Clean Up Day September 16 from 10 am-noon as we strive to make a difference in our environment. Contact stormwater@ci.carlsbad.ca.us or 602-2799 to register.

Day at the Lake

Finish off your Trail Blast week of fitness training by participating in the annual clean-up at Lake Calavera on September 30. Spend the morning filling up a dumpster with trash and beautify the natural trails around the lake. Contact Liz at lketa@ci.carlsbad.ca.us or 434-2978.

Pumpkin Plunge into the Pool

For the 25th year pumpkins and booths will surround the pool at the Swim Complex in October. Sign up now to help on October 14 from 10:15 am-3 pm with the crafts, food and activities. Contact Rachael at rshay@ci.carlsbad.ca.us or 602-7519.



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